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1. Paratroopers in the Soviet Armed Forces received hazard pay. There were also instances of additional pay being given to those who occupied responsible positions (eg, commanders, political instructors, etc) or who were assigned to positions requiring technical skills (eg, gunner, radio operator, etc) [redacted]
[redacted] Enlisted paratroopers, regardless of assignment or rank, received 70 rubles for every jump. In 1952 there were no paratroop units in the Soviet Zone of Austria, but in the Summer of 1952 CGF was looking for volunteers for paratroop training. [redacted]
[redacted] paratroopers received 70 rubles for each jump. [redacted] male and female civilians, who had regular civilian jobs on a collectivized farm (kolkhoz) or in a factory, but who voluntarily signed up with DOSAAF (volunteer organization for cooperation with the army, air force, and navy) were paid 150 rubles for each parachute jump.

25X1 2. [redacted] Pilots, radio gunners, and other flying personnel received much higher assignment pay than did ground troops.

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In February, or March 1952, a new regulation was received from Moscow, which stated that the pay of the 1927 class radio gunner N [REDACTED] raised to 700 rubles and

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700 schillings per month. The pay became the same as that of voluntary reenlistees (Sverkhstrochniki). Prior to that time, the regular pay of a radio gunner did not exceed 350 rubles and 350 schillings a month.

4. A private in an engineer unit, engaged in mine clearing or mine laying under enemy fire, received the same pay as a private in the same unit, working as a cook or a shoemaker in a rear area.

5. The following represents assignment pay scales:

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<u>Rank</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Rubles</u>	<u>Schillings</u>
Pvt	Regular duty	None	40
Pvt	Radio operator	55	55
Pvt	Tank gunner	70	70
NCO	Tank commander	250	350
NCO	Infantry squad leader, 1st year	56	86
NCO	Infantry squad leader, 2d and 3d years	112	117

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